

# **Mazel Tov & Congratulations**



### Tov M'od!

## Congratulations to Members of Our Community on Their Successes

New Class of Leadership Charlotte

Congratulations to the new class of Leadership Charlotte. This year's class includes: Kelly Gaines, CEO Personal Net Gaines: Nicole Hoagland, Convergys; Michael Koss, Vice President, Wachovia Corporate Real Estate; Oded Shein, VP/Treasurer, Belk, Inc.; Yossi Shem-Avi, District Sales Manager, US Foodservice; Sales Manager, US Foodservice; Michael Sinsheimer, President/

Business Executive, MedTech Catalyst; Ira Slomka, EVP/COO, Flagship Capital Partners, LLC; David Van Glish, Financial Advisor, Merrill Lynch.

WBT'S Jeff Katz Honored by United Methodist Church in

WBT-AM and WBT-FM afternoon drive talk show host Jeff Katz was honored by Charlotte's historic First United Methodist Church on Sunday, September 9

along with Charlotte Mayor Pat McCrory and Charlotte Congressman Mel Watt as part of FUMC's annual community recognition service. Katz and the other honorees were saluted for their community service and leadership. Katz, the man who has been dubbed Carolina's conservative conscience, noted that due to the seating arrangements in the pew he wound up to the left of Congressman Watt. Given that Watt is one of the most liberal members of Congress, Katz quipped that "I am flattered by the honor bestowed by First United Methodist Church. September 9 is my birthday so it took 43 years

and the hand of God to place me to the left of Mel Watt.'

Jeffrey Karp Attends LPL Financial National Conference Karp Financial Strategies, Inc. is pleased to announce that Jeff

Karp, president, recently attended the LPL National Conference in Boston, MA.

As a "Directors Club" qualifier, Jeff represents the top 19% of the approximately 9,000 advisors in the LPL Financial Network.

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More information about Karp Financial Strategies, Inc. can be found at www.KarpFinancial.com or by calling 704-658-1929.

Bobby Damsky Appointed Huskin's Instructor

Central Piedmont Community College has appointed Bobby Damsky a Huskin's Instructor at Charlotte Mecklenburg School's Phillip O. Berry Academy of Technology. Students in this high school program may also earn college credits. Bobby also teaches classes at CPCC's central campus and is the founder of Digi

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# **Youth Visions Hebrew Highlights**

With the fall holidays over, the students and faculty of Hebrew High are ready to begin our school year in earnest. This promises to be an exciting year at Hebrew High, with great classes, exciting special programs and lots of fun

and fellowship.

Hebrew High is excited to introduce the new members of our terrific staff for the 2007-2008 school year. These dedicated individuals give their time and talent to ensure the future of the Jewish community:

David Dahari was born in Queens, NY and is the son of a kosher pizza maker from Israel. He moved to Charlotte two years ago with his beautiful wife Brandi and is enjoying his newborn son, Gabriel. When David is not at the JCC, he teaches high school physics and chemistry and enjoys hiking, games and his guitar. He will be teaching "How many Jewish Mothers ..." a course on Jewish Humor.



Rabbi Faith Canto

Rabbi Faith Cantor received her Rabbinic ordination and a Masters degree in Jewish Education from the Jewish Theological Seminary. Rabbi Cantor worked as the Rabbi-in-Residence for Jewish Studies for the Solomon Schecter Day School in Dix Hills, NY. Rabbi Cantor

and her husband, David, have one son, Amidav. Rabbi Cantor will be teaching the ninth grade core class for Temple Israel as well as "What if Harry Potter Were Jewish?"



Lorrie Klemons

Lorrie Klemons joins our faculty as a seasoned teacher with many years of varied teaching experiences. She is an RN by profession and has taught collegelevel nursing education as well as teaching Health Occupation Education at several CMS high schools. In addition, Lorrie is a 7th grade teacher at the Temple Beth El Religious School. With all that, Lorrie still finds time to volunteer in all sorts of community and Jewish activities. Lorrie will be teaching the "Madrichim Workshop" for Hebrew High this "Madrichim year, helping prepare the next crop of Jewish teachers.

Rabbi Micah Streiffer grew up in South Louisiana and received his Bachelors degree in Judaic studies from George Washington University. After some time at Torah Aura Productions he attended the Hebrew Union College Jewish Institute of Religion and was ordained at the Cincinnati Campus. Rabbi Streiffer served six student pulpits during his time in Cincinnati. He has traveled extensively in Europe and Asia, in addition to spending three years in Israel. He is married to Shoshana



Streiffer and they have two young sons. Rabbi Streiffer will be teaching the Beth El Core classes.



Dr. Kristen Ragar

In preparation for the new school year, the entire Hebrew High staff was treated to a wonderful lecture by Dr. Kristen Ragar of the Teen Health Connection and the Levine Children's Hospital. Dr. Ragar helped the teachers understand the "teen-age brain" and the developmental stages that teens experience.

It's not too late too register for the 5768 school year at Hebrew High. Don't let your teen miss out on the fun, learning and community that is Hebrew High. For more information call or email Roz Cooper (704-944-6782, rcooper@shalomcharlotte.org). ❖